28 April 1969

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

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FROM : OTR/IS/OBF

SUBJECT: Report of Vietnam Station Orientation #7-69

1. Basic Data

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The 33rd installment of the Vietnam Station Orientation, in this instance No. 7-69, was completed 14-18 April 1969. 25X9A2 students attended. The class was held at Headquarters in Room 1-A-13 to the accompaniment of much pounding and drilling in the adjoining corridors.

2. <u>Changes in Schedule</u>

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3. Other Notes on Speakers

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A new man on our circuit was who served four months in Vietnam as the Agency's Science Advisor. some of the 500 slides he took in Vietnam.

4. Critiques

In three years of running these Vietnam programs I have not reported in these papers either the bouquets or the brickbats tossed at me personally in these critiques. I shall now break my

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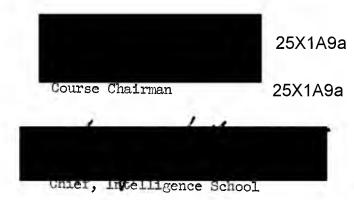
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self-imposed rule for the first time, and the break is triggered by, naturally, a bouquet which especially pleases me and which I quote:

"Having spent 70-80% of my 14 years with the Agency, which would indicate extensive time processing, briefings, etc. this has been, this particular orientation, the most realistic and effective program I have attended. For the most part, I believe with all sincerity this is due to

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devotion to this program. Most persons running a course, in my experience, act as MCs, turning over the 'hour' to a speaker. Having been in Asia 7-8 years I can say most or 90% of these lectures are extremely realistic and apply to the situation as is now."



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